

Remarks

The Notice of Non-Compliance indicated that the amendments to the specification must be in relation to the original specification. The amendments have been included above with reference to the original specification such that these amendments are now in compliance.

The Notice also indicated that the amendments to the drawings must have drawings sheets labeled as Replacement Sheets. The 3 sheets containing the amended drawings that are included herewith are now properly labeled as Replacement Sheets.

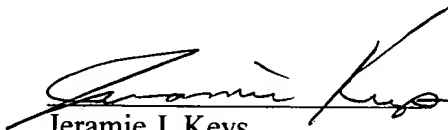
Conclusion

Applicants assert that the amendments to the specification and drawings are now in compliance and that the application is in condition for allowance. Applicants request reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks above and further request that a Notice of Allowability be provided. Should the Examiner have any questions, please contact the undersigned.

No fees are believed due. However, please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-3025.

Respectfully submitted,

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